

CONTEST CASES DECIDED ADVERSELY

Coal Land Entries in Santa Fe and Sandoval Counties Rejected by Land Officials in Santa Fe—Final Decision Up to Washington.

Register M. R. Otero and Receiver Fred Muller of the United States land office in Santa Fe, have rendered a decision adverse to Dr. J. H. Sloan and his co-defendants in contest cases involving coal land entries in Santa Fe and Sandoval counties.

Before the coal land entries in question are finally rejected, however, this decision must be sustained by the commissioners of the general land office at Washington, D. C.

Dr. Sloan and his associates are allowed thirty days in which to file an

appeal, and in the event of such action the case goes to the commissioner of the general land office for decision, and if he affirms the finding of the local authorities, another appeal can be taken to the Secretary of the Interior.

D. Sloan was indicted by the Federal grand jury in Santa Fe last fall for alleged conspiracy to defraud the government in connection with these coal land entries and hearings continuing for two weeks were held at the land office in which the original entrymen were called upon to testify.

News Notes From Springer Stockman

M. W. Mills left here Tuesday for Illinois on business.

Charlie Clouthier was in Wagon Mound Thursday.

Cattle buyers are numerous around these parts these days.

Martin Grancy of Elizabethtown, was in the city the fore part of this week.

The ball at the opera house last Saturday night was a very successful and enjoyable affair.

George L. Davenport and family arrived home Tuesday from Colorado after an absence of several months.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kremis went out for a visit of a few days with some of their ranch friends east of the city, Wednesday.

Ed Athens came down last Sunday from Raton and stayed with us here until Monday afternoon when he returned home.

Monday quite a hail storm visited Rayado. The stones were small but they came down thick and fast. No damage was done, however.

Miss Virginia Keeney of Sedalia, Mo., arrived here Thursday and is stopping with Rev. and Mrs. Finley. Miss Keeney is a music teacher.

Frank Cowan was down last Saturday and Sunday from Raton for a short visit in the city with relatives and friends, all of whom were pleased to see him.

Q. A. Martinez, editor of El Combate, of Wagon Mound, was in Springer Tuesday on business. He made this office a very pleasant visit during the day.

Owen Parrish, son of Santa Fe Agent Parrish, fell from a moving train near the depot Wednesday and broke his right arm between the wrist and elbow.

Mrs. J. B. Jacquot leaves next Monday for New York, expecting sometime later to make a visit to London, England. She says she expects to return here in six or eight months.

Thomas Talle came down Tuesday from the Adams' Cattle Co. ranch and has since had charge of the Kremis drug store during the temporary absence of the proprietor from the city.

Rev. F. E. Finley of the Methodist church, accompanied by Rev. Rollins, pastor of the M. E. church of Albuquerque who came up Wednesday

morning, and the same day went down to Roy where they conducted regular quarterly conference services for the church there.

Constable Albert King of Wagon Mound, came up Wednesday armed with a warrant for the arrest of one Narcisco Lucero, charged with assault and battery. With the assistance of Deputy Sheriff Wright he looked around town that evening for his man, and failing to find him went down on the Sweetwater Thursday morning where he was arrested and taken to Wagon Mound the same day. The charge against Lucero is by his wife, she complaining that he assaulted her and took furniture belonging to her from her house and turning it over to another woman. It is also said that the United States wants Lucero, he having recently been indicted on the charge of violation of the Edmunds act. Lucero is reputed to be in good circumstances.

C. N. Blackwell, of the First National Bank of Raton, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Elizabeth Blackwell, came down from Raton Thursday. They returned home yesterday, and while in the city were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Devine. Mr. Blackwell was here on business in connection with the Bank of Springer, of which institution he is president.

Ratone rLyddw MyYcaah aar ee J. R. Whitworth, of Curtis, Oklahoma, brother of Mrs. F. E. Finley of this city, was an arrival in Springer last Saturday evening. He is a very pleasant gentleman. Mr. Whitworth has very recently disposed of his mercantile business at Curtis, and has strong intentions of locating and embarking in business at some point in this country.

The rose crop in this country is very small owing to the severity of the weather in April which blasted the young buds. There may be some early roses yet, and probably a fair crop of the late varieties.

Rais Romero, alias George Washington, after an absence of a few days attending to some urgent ranch duties and visiting his out-of-town friends returned Tuesday and has since been enjoying once more the hilarities, vicissitudes and ups-and-downs and outs of city life.

Red River News From the Prospector

Mrs. George Millette and children are down from the ranch on Bob Cat and are spending a few days in town.

Mrs. R. W. Penn fell from a chair she was standing on a few days ago and was quite badly injured, but is now able to be up and around.

H. C. Logan, who has been prospecting in this district for a number of years, left last week for a visit at his home in Trinidad, where he will remain two or three months. Mr. Logan is interested in a number of good mining properties.

Edward Price has moved to his mining property, the R. E. T., up the river. It is generally known as the Seventy-nine property and was first located in 1879. Mr. Price is better pleased with his claim every year he works it.

J. M. Mead, who has been prospecting in this camp for the past fifteen years, will shortly leave here. His backers have not yet decided whether they will send him to northern Colorado or to Nevada. He and his partners have some good property in this district which they will hold.

Miss Amy Brown, a former Red River girl, has lately graduated from

the Sterling, Kans. high school. She was a daughter of the late Lorin Brown, a former resident of Ute Park and at one time prominent in politics and as a newspaper man in Taos county.

Jesse Young was in town from La Belle last Saturday.

Forest Ranger L. S. Myers visited upper Bob Cat, Tuesday.

E. P. Westoby, B. T. Ergenbright, H. D. Dutcher and two sons visited Gabresto lake the first of the week and caught about 400 fish.

Harry Moberg and two sons, Harry and Oscar, arrived in the camp Saturday to look after Mr. Moberg's mining interests. He has two first-class claims up Pioneer which he located last summer.

Miss Vesta Coffelt has a fine position with the Hausman drug company at Trinidad. She is head lady in the chemical department, having six girls working under her instruction.

Miss Portia Osborne, who taught a successful term of school in Red River last summer, has left to visit her old home in Wisconsin. She will visit friends in Denver and Cripple Creek en route.

Onions and Pneumonia.

The following remedy is said to be a cure for pneumonia. Take six to ten onions, according to size, and chop fine, put in a large spider over a hot fire, then add the same quantity of yemal and vinegar, enough to form a thick paste. In the meanwhile stir thoroughly, letting it simmer five or ten minutes. Then put in a cotton bag, large enough to cover the lungs, and apply to chest as hot as patient can bear. In about ten minutes apply another, and thus continue by re-heating the poultices, and in a few hours the patient will be out of danger. This simple remedy has seldom failed to cure this too-often fatal malady. Usually three or four applications will be sufficient, but continue until the perspiration starts freely from the chest. —London Tit-Bits.

Italian's Bulletproof Leather.

A Milanese barrister, Signor Amato Bucci, has invented a flexible table somewhat resembling leather, which no bullet or hard steel instrument is able to pierce. One recent morning, writes our Rome correspondent, Signor Bucci made a tour around a large space in Rome with a Richard-Brasler motor car, the tires of which had been covered with the fabric.

Nails of large dimensions were stuck in the ground point upward, and the car passed over them without damaging the rubber tires. Later on the inventor called on the minister of marine, who personally experimented on a piece of the fabric, which he unsuccessfully tried to penetrate by firing several revolver shots at it. —London Daily Mail.

Hit Back.

Walking along a road in the remote west of Ireland, two tourists were passing one of the cottages, or, as they are better known in the country, "cabins," of the peasantry. This particular "cabin" was even a more than usually dilapidated specimen of its class, and the chimney, consisting mainly of the remains of an old top hat, presented a comical, if pathetic, appearance.

Tipping his friend a wink, one of the tourists accosted a youth who was sitting contentedly on a fence.

"I say my boy," he said, "does that chimney draw well?"

"Shure, thin, it does," was the prompt reply; "it draws the notice o' every fool that passes by!"

Told by the Teeth.

"A man carries a good barometer in his teeth," declares a dentist of large experience. "The teeth are peculiarly affected by damp weather, especially bad teeth. When strangers begin flocking to my consulting room complaining of toothache and pains in the jaw, I know that we are going to have a spell of bad weather. A good bit of it is neuralgia, but is a sure sign."

"This rush of business keeps up until the bad weather is well set in, and when business falls off I know that we shall soon have better weather. When toothache patients are few and far between I am assured that we are in for a spell of fine weather."

Regimental Baby.

The soldiers of the Sixty-third Foot regiment at Saint Mihiel, France, have adopted a baby which was found asleep in a sentry-box recently. It had a wooden horse clasped in its arms, and pinned to his jacket was a note saying: "Please look after my little Jacques, whom I am unable to support." Jacques was therefore taken into barracks, where the men promptly decided that he should remain. He will wear a little suit of regimentals, and the soldiers will take it in turn to look after him.

An Epic on the Sofa.

The only article of furniture that has had an epic all to itself is the sofa, though, considering the many hours of sweet repose which must have been spent upon it by tired humanity, it deserves to have had many. Cowper's placid poem upon it was inspired by his friend, Lady Austen, who suggested the sofa as a subject for his muse, and out of this beginning grew the whole structure of "The Task." In "The Sofa" Cowper opens with a "historical deduction of seats from the stool to the sofa."

Gasoline Railway Cars.

Gasoline railway cars are now used by the Union Pacific Railway company. The cars are constructed of steel, and have six-cylinder vertical motors, rated at 100 h. p., and started by compressed air. The cars can travel at 40 miles an hour, and can be stopped in less than 40 yards when traveling at full speed.

To Renew Mirrors.

When old looking glasses need renewing paint them on the back with the following mixture: Half an ounce of tin, half an ounce of lead and three ounces of blisnuth melted together. When slightly cool, add three ounces of mercury and apply with a hare's foot.

Love's Answer.

"Can you cook, darling?" asked her fiancé eagerly, for he was no Croesus. "Can I cook?" she sneered. "Do you suppose I'd be foolish enough to marry a poor clerk if I could make \$40 a month and my board?" —Judge.

Mastery of Life.

Life is an art in which we too often remain mere dilettanti; one cannot attain mastery in it except by pouring out one's heart's blood. —Carmen Sylva (Queen Elizabeth of Rumania).

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GREAT IS AND GREAT WILL BE COLFAX COUNTY

The coal output of the Dawson District in Colfax county, now amounts to about 3,000 tons per day or 90,000 tons per month. This is to be greatly increased shortly, according to reliable advices received by this paper. In fact machinery is to be provided and a sufficient number of miners is to be employed to push the output up to 300,000 tons per month, which plan, if carried into effect, will produce more than double the number of tons mined in New Mexico during 1906. The coal veins in the district are reported to be practically inexhaustible by experienced and reliable experts. The Phelps-Dodge syndicate which owns them is abundantly able and prepared to put up the funds necessary for this development. In view of this condition in this one coal district alone and taking into consideration the many other extensive deposits of fine coal in the county, its increase in stock raising resources and the valuable precious and base metals that are found within its borders that have been profitably mined and will be so again, it is not too much to assert that within three years Colfax county will be one of the richest and most populous, if not the richest and most thickly populated of all the counties of this Territory. The city of Raton already, a great and busy city, is rapidly growing in population, in wealth and in business. It is fast forging to the front as one of the leading cities of the Sunshine Territory. Incidentally what helps Colfax county and Raton will help this entire commonwealth more or less. It is expected that Colfax county during the present year will show the largest increase in assessment of property for taxable purposes in the Territory. This item alone is a sure indication of the great advance made there in every direction. —Santa Fe New Mexican.

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Brilliant.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Kerr spent Saturday in Raton, shopping and taking in the sights.

Mr. and Mrs. Jolly were in Raton Saturday on business.

Mrs. Anos Jones and son, George, of Blossburg, returned Sunday from a visit in Trinidad.

Alexander Brown, while at work in the mine Friday, was seriously injured.

Thomas Jolly, mine inspector for the St. L. R. M. & P. Coal company of Brilliant, has resigned his position and accepted that of mine superintendent at Engleville, Colo., with the Colorado Fuel and Iron company.

Edward Triplett, of Gardiner, went to Raton Sunday to attend the ball game. Mr. Triplett is somewhat of a ball player himself.

Mrs. James McDougall, of Raton, spent several days last week visiting her mother, Mrs. John Bell of Blossburg.

Where to Stop in Raton.

Palace Hotel opposite Santa Fe depot. Rooms 50 cents and \$1. if

The Sodality of the Immaculate Conception of St. Patrick's church is the name of a society formed among the women of that church last Sunday by Father Barry, which starts with a membership of fifty-three. The following officers were elected: Mrs. A. R. Streicher, first perfect; Mrs. G. R. Doyle, second assistant perfect; Miss Susie Sekins, third assistant perfect; Mrs. Robert Boyle, treasurer.

Ought to Have Money.

Brown—Do you ever play the races? Green—No.

Brown—But you play cards or billiards?

Green—Neither.

Brown—You take a drink occasionally, I suppose?

Green—No, I neither drink nor smoke.

Brown—Say, old man, you are just the chap I've been looking for. Lend me \$10, will you?

It might seem that the more prosperous the country is, the more some folks incline to yell for radical change.

Meister.

"He believes thoroughly in himself," said the admiring friend. "Yes," answered Miss Cayenne. "Some people are so credulous."

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PROPOSED ELECTRIC ROAD

A party of capitalists headed by W. A. Buddecke, president of the Las Vegas Electric Street Railway, have been viewing the proposed extension of the road from Las Vegas to Taos, via Sapello, Rociada and Mora. The route was surveyed for a railroad a few years ago, but at that time it was found hard to get capital to invest in New Mexico, but now that conditions have changed and plenty of money is coming into the territory, it looks as if the road would soon be built. —Red River Prospector.